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AMENDMENT "B" AFTER FINAL UNDER RULE 1.116

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2005 (Paper No. 20050822). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on November 23, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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